

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Official Action mailed on January 31, 2007. This response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Claim 18 stands rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph. Claim 18 has been cancelled.

Claims 1-5, 8, 11-24 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, for indefiniteness. Examiner says the claims are indefinite for including the acronym IOL and requests replacing the term IOL with intraocular lens. Applicant has done this, although the rejection is traversed because the term IOL was indeed defined in claim 1. Examiner feels that the phrase "through which said fluid flows" in claim 5 does not have antecedent basis in claim 1 because fluid was not positively recited in claim 1. Claim 5 has been accordingly amended to overcome this rejection. Examiner also feels claim 22 is indefinite because the phrase "said selectively inflatable and deflatable member" in claim 22 does not have antecedent basis in claim 16. Claim 22 has been cancelled.

Claims 1, 3-5, 8, 14 and 15 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Michelson (US 4466705).

Claims 2, 17, 19 and 20 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Bowald (US 4713072).

Claims 16, 21, 23 and 24 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Laguette (US 2002/0188351).

Although Applicant traverses the above rejection, the claims have been amended to expedite allowance. Claims 1, 2 and 16 have been amended to recite an inflatable and deflatable haptic, which is not shown in any of the cited art. Claims that mentioned the haptic have been accordingly cancelled. It is believed that claims 1-5, 12-16, 19, 20, 23 and 24 are now allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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